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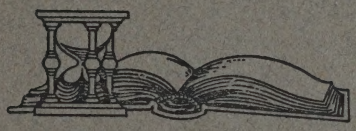

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TOGETHER WITH REPORT OF SCHOOLS ENDING JUNE 30th, 1923 AND VITAL STATISTICS FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1923

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TOWN OFFICERS

Representative to General Court
Stephen M. Wheeler, 1923-1924

Moderator
Jay M. Goodrich

Board of Selectmen
Arthur H. Sawyer.....Term expires 1926
Charles E. Kinney.....Term expires 1925
George A. Sawyer.....Term expires 1924

Clerk and Treasurer
Charles C. Mellinger

Tax Collector
Harry B. Tuttle

Ballot Inspectors
Arthur D. Goodrich — William H. Albree
Hermon E. Rollins — Calvin P. Stowell

Supervisors of Check List
Charles B. Wheeler — Stephen W. Lufkin

Constable
Charles B. Wheeler

Police Officers
W. H. Albree — Dog Officer
Frank Morse — Special Police

Trustees of Kimball Public Library
Herbert N. Sawyer.....Term expires 1925
Mary A. Lufkin.....Term expires 1924
Charles B. Wheeler.....Term expires 1926

Trustees of Trust Funds
Charles B. Wheeler.....Term expires 1925
Charles G. Mellinger.....Term expires 1924
John H. Smith.....Term expires 1926

Auditors
Charles J. Tuthill — Charles B. Wheeler

Board of Health

Harry B. Tuttle

Forest Fire Wardens

John H. Smith, Warden

Elmer E. Conley, Deputy Calvin P. Stowell, Deputy

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Jay W. Stickney John H. Smith

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber

Jay W. Stickney James P. Lucy

Charles B. Wheeler Albert S. Cole

George A. Mason

Field Drivers

Clifford A. Sawyer Oscar P. Little

Fence Viewers

Thomas A. Young

TOWN WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the town of Atkinson qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Grange Hall in said town on the second Tuesday of March next at nine o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose by plurality vote all town officers to be voted for under the Australian ballot system.

2. To see if the town will vote to act upon the remaining articles in conjunction with article one.

3. To choose all other necessary town officers that are voted for by ballot and major vote unless voted to elect otherwise.

4. To bring in your votes for the election of Delegates at-Large, Alternate Delegates-at-Large, District Delegates, Alternate District Delegates, to the National Conventions of the Democratic and Republican parties, to be held for the purpose of nominating party candidates for President and Vice President of the United States.

5. To raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for repairing town highways and appropriate the same.

6. To see if the town will vote to raise in addition to the $445.00 required by State law the amount of $222.50 to secure the State Aid of $400.20 for permanent road building.

7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2500. or any part thereof for State Aid maintenance of highways and thus receive a like sum from the State.

8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $375.47 to pay Atkinson's one third of the cost of the bridge in 1923 between Salem and Atkinson near Mr. Damon's.

9. To see if the town will take any action in regard to Old Home week and vote to raise and appropriate money for the same.

10. To see if the town will appoint a committee to investigate the feasibility of establishing a town forest and make recommendations at the regular town meeting of March 1925.

11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $400.00 to receive the sum of $100.00 from the State for the purpose of commencing the control of the White Pine Blister Rust in our town.

12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for care of Cemeteries.

13. To raise such sum of money as may be deemed necessary above that required by law for the support of the Public Library and appropriate the same.

14. To raise the amount due on bonds for the ensuing year and appropriate the same.

15. To raise and appropriate such amount of money as may be deemed necessary for town charges.

16. To raise and appropriate a sum of money to defray expenses of Memorial Day.

17. To see if the town will authorize the town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to hire such sums of money as the town may need in anticipation of taxes.

18. By request: To see if the town will request the Selectmen to post notices embodying section 4 of chapter 271 of the public statutes, forbidding hunting on the Lord's day, in such places as may be effective.

19. By request: To see if the town will vote to raise a special amount of $500.00 or any part thereof and appropriate the same for repairing the highway known as the East road.

20. To see if the town will take any action in regard to buying the land owned by Lydia R. Noyes near the Cemetery and raise and appropriate money for the same.

21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 or any part thereof for repairing and widening the road beginning beyond the Hampstead line at the top of the hill beyond Moses Hall's Mill and running thru the Knocker Hole Woods, so called, to the junction of the road turning into Conley's Grove at Island Pond.

22. To hear reports of town officers and committees, act on same and transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 23rd day of February 1924.

CHARLES E. KINNEY,
GEORGE A. SAWYER,
ARTHUR H. SAWYER,
Selectmen of Atkinson.

A true copy of Warrant. Attest:

GEORGE A. SAWYER,
CHARLES E. KINNEY,
ARTHUR H. SAWYER,
Selectmen of Atkinson.

BUDGET OF TOWN OF ATKINSON, N. H.

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1923	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1924
From State:		
Insurance tax	$15.00	$15.00
Railroad tax	29.73	29.73
Savings bank tax	95.66	95.66
For Highways		
(a) For State aid maintenance	1,812.19	2,687.81
From Local Sources Except Taxes		
All licenses and permits except dog licenses	12.00	12.00
Rent of land	20.00	20.00
Interest received on taxes and deposits	122.61	120.00
Sale of cemetery lots	2.00	
Wood from Library lot	3.00	
Auto permits	803.32	700.00
From poll taxes	756.00	756.00
Revenue Applicable Only to New Construction and Improvements		
From State:		
For State Aid Highway Construction	1,302.63	400.20
Amount raised by issue of notes	5,412.22	
Revenue Which Must Be Paid to Other Governmental Divisions		
$2.00 on each $5.00 Poll	476.00	476.00
Total Revenues from all Sources except Property Taxes	10,862.36	5,312.40
Amount raised by Property Taxes	17,810.16	16,000.00
Total Revenues	$28,672.52	$21,312.40

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

Current Maintenance Expenses

	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1923	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1924
General Government:		
Town Officers' Salaries	$814.15	$825.00
Town Officers' Expenses	170.80	180.00
Election and Registration Expenses	40.13	75.00
Rent for Town Hall	300.00	300.00
Protection of Persons and Property:		
Damage to Property	13.75	
Fire Department	36.50	
Health:		
Health Department	1.95	2.00
Vital Statistics	3.15	3.15
Bridges:	416.54	375.47
State Aid Maintenance		
State's Contribution	1,812.19	2,687.81
Town's Contribution	1,780.47	2,761.92
Special appropriations	616.01	650.00
Snow Pathing and Repairs	3,117.22	2,000.00
Street Lighting	594.00	594.00
General Expense of Highway Department	899.37	200.00
Education:		
Libraries	377.39	100.00
Charities:		
Town Poor	70.85	200.00
Patriotic Purposes:		
Memorial Day and Other Celebrations	19.28	25.00
Soldiers' Memorial	177.00	
Recreation:		
Parks and Playgrounds	10.00	
Public Service Enterprises:		
Cemeteries	94.65	75.00
Watering Trough	3.00	3.00
Interest:		
On temporary loans	87.78	
On long-term notes	125.00	25.00
Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements		
Highways and Bridges:		
State Aid Construction		
State's Contribution	1,302.63	400.20

Town's Contribution	5,290.45	667.50
Indebtedness		
Payment on Principal of Debt:		
Notes	5,412.22	
Long Term Notes	1,000.00	1,000.00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions		
State Taxes	805.00	805.00
County Taxes	972.32	972.32
Payments to School Districts	4,199.70	5,700.00
Taxes assumed by Town	375.67	
Special Poll taxes paid by State	476.00	476.00
Total Expenditures	31,415.17	19,097.37

VALUATION

RESIDENT

Real estate		$293,151.00
Horses	101	8,910.00
Cows	307	23,505.00
Neat stock	34	1,490.00
Sheep	8	65.00
Fowls	3689	6,032.00
Wood sawing machines	5	425.00
Saw mill	1	1,200.00
Wood and lumber		790.00
Stock in trade		1,550.00
Money on hand		2,511.00
Bonds		3,000.00

NON-RESIDENT

Real estate		$86,220.00
Horses	3	460.00
Cows	2	100.00
Hogs	350	7,000.00
Flowage rights		1,600.00
Power line		7,526.00
Wood and lumber		720.00
		$446,254.00
Less widows exemption		1,000.00
		$445,254.00

On which the Selectmen have assessed the following:

Permanent State road by law	$438.00
To secure State aid permanent road building	219.00
To secure State aid maintenance	2,000.00
To make up last year's deficiency for State aid	1,250.00
For Town highways	2,000.00
Repairs on Maple Ave. (special)	350.00
Repairs on Poors Hill (special)	100.00
Care of Cemeteries	75.00
Library above that required by law	175.00
Library by law	20.80
Grading driveway to Cemetery	75.00

For bond and interest	1,075.00
Town charges	1,400.00
Memorial Day	25.00
Slab for bridge on Lawrence road	200.00
Grading bridge near M. C. Hall's	200.00
Extra for granite boulder	75.00
Road grader	325.00
Electric lights	279.00
State tax	805.00
County tax	972.32
Schools	5,733.98
Overlay	17.06
	$17,810.16

Rate $4.00 on $100.00

LIST OF TOWN PROPERTY

Hall equipment	$80.00
Library, land and buildings	3,800.00
Library equipment	1,250.00
Stone crushing plant complete	3,500.00
Road machine	75.00
Road grader	300.00
Two road drags	15.00
R. P. shovels	25.00
S. P. shovels	2.00
Picks and stone hammers	15.00
Three steel wheel barrows	7.00
One hardpan plow	5.00
One swivel plow	18.00
Drills	10.00
	$9,102.00

DETAILED STATEMENTS OF PAYMENTS BY NUMBERS

NO. 1, TOWN OFFICERS SALARIES

E. E. Sawyer, services as Auditor, Feb. 1923	$ 5.00
W. H. Albree, Dog Officer	10.00
Harry B. Tuttle, Collector of taxes of 1922	23.61
Harry B. Tuttle, Collector of taxes of 1923	168.29
C. G. Mellinger, Town Clerk and Treasurer	125.00
C. G. Mellinger, auto permit fees	32.25
Arthur H. Sawyer, Selectman salary	125.00
Charles E. Kinney, Selectman salary	125.00
George A. Sawyer, Selectman salary	200.00
	$814.15

NO. 2, TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Bonding the Town Officers	12.50
Amesbury Pub. Co., printing town reports 1922	55.00
George A. Sawyer, telephone, postage and supplies	6.40
E. C. Eastman, blanks and postage	1.68
W. P. Farmer, N. H. Ass'n Assessors' dues	2.00
E. C. Eastman, invoice book	25.00
Selectmen's expenses to Boston	21.00
George A. Sawyer, miscl. expenses	27.88
Arthur H. Sawyer, Tax Commissioner's Meeting	5.00
C. G. Mellinger, miscl. expenses	9.59
C. E. Kinney, expenses to Exeter	3.02
John H. Smith, expense and postage on Reports, 1922	1.73
	$170.80

NO. 3, ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATIONS

A. D. Goodrich, ballot clerk, Mar. 1923	$ 4.00
A. D. Goodrich, printing caucus ballots	2.25
W. H. Albree, ballot clerk, Mar. 1923	4.00
J. W. Stickney, ballot clerk, Mar. 1923	4.00
F. P. Stiles, printing ballots	25.88
	$ 40.13

NO. 4, TOWN HALL EXPENSES

Geo. A. Page, Treas. hall rent to Mar. 1, 1924	$ 300.00
	$300.00

NO. 5, FIRE DEPARTMENT

H. P. Taylor Fire Co., Salem, N. H. call Conley fire	$ 16.75
P. A. Sullivan Hose Co. 1, Salem, N. H. call Conley fire	11.75
John H. Smith, posting fire notices	8.00
	$ 36.50

NO. 6, PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

B. C. Pettengill, care of grounds around Soldiers' Monument	10.00

NO. 7, VITAL STATISTICS

Chas. G. Mellinger, recording vital statistics	3.15

NO. 8, STATE AID MAINTENANCE OF HIGHWAYS

B. C. Pettengill, town agent of Highways	$ 540.26
H. J. Saturby, state foreman	1,234.81
George A. Page, hardwood plank	5.40
	$1,780.47

NO. 9, TOWN HIGHWAY SNOW PATHING

B. C. Pettengill, from Jan. 31 to Apr. 2,1923	$ 863.15
B. C. Pettengill, January 1924	114.55
	$977.70

NO. 10, TOWN HIGHWAY REPAIRS

B. C. Pettengill, labor and gravel on dirt roads	$2,139.52

NO. 11, BRIDGES

B. C. Pettengill, special construction grading at bridge near M. C. Hall's	$ 196.54
Walter E. Stickney, cement slab on Lawrence road	200.00
Walter E. Stickney, rebuilding wall on Lawrence road	15.00
Charles E. Kinney, lumber and labor	5.00
	$ 416.54

NO. 12, GENERAL EXPENSE OF HIGHWAYS

New England Road Machinery Co., small tools	$ 43.75
New England Road Machinery, blade for machine	12.50
George A. Sawyer, freight and blasting supplies	8.47
B. C. Pettengill, sharpening picks and bars	13.25
Road Grader	300.00
Repairs and supplies Stone Crusher bill 1922	500.00
B. C. Pettengill, picks	1.50
A. D. Goodrich, painting signs	5.40
Wm. Summerfield, moving tractor,	8.00
George A. Page, wood for boiler	1.00
Thomas Young, repairs on Smythe buildings	5.50
	$899.37

NO. 13, PUBLIC LIBRARY

Peaslee Lumber Co.	$ 4.68
J. M. Villeneuve & Co., paint and hardware	89.42
George H. Moody, carpenter	10.50
Cole & Wheeler, painting buildings	199.42
Courier Pub. Co., card pockets	3.07
Mitchell & Co., books	42.75
Frank Morse, work on Library trees	13.50
S. W. Lufkin, installing pump in house	6.55
S. W. Lufkin, cleaning out well	5.00
John H. Smith, paint	2.50
	$377.39

NO. 14, TOWN AID TO POOR

J .W. Stickney, groceries for Amos Winters	$ 70.85

NO.15, MEMORIAL DAY EXPENSES

Stephen M. Wheeler, flags	$ 7.28
Ethel Whittemore, pianist	2.00
James A. Tufts, address	10.00
	$ 19.28

NO. 16, BOARD OF HEALTH

Harry B. Tuttle, per bill	$ 1.95

NO. 17, SOLDIERS' MEMORIAL SPECIAL APPROPRIATION

Elmer S. Atwood, granite boulder	$177.00

NO. 18, CEMETERIES

B. C. Pettengill, snow pathing	$ 16.21
B. C. Pettengill, labor	6.39
B. C. Pettengill, cutting grass	72.05
	$ 94.65

NO. 19, SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

B. C. Pettengill, East road	$ 89.40
B. C. Pettengill, Maple ave.	346.91
B. C. Pettengill, Poors Hill	99.00
B. C. Pettengill, grounds around Soldiers Memorial	80.00
John E. Sheehan, gravel	.70
	$616.01

NO. 20, BONDS AND NOTES

E. H. Rollins & Sons, Apr. 15, 1923, bonds with interest to date	$1,075.00
E. H. Rollins, interest on bonds	50.00
Notes payable at Hav. Nat. Bank	5,500.00
	$6,625.00

NO. 21, OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS

Stewart Everett Rowe County tax	$ 972.32
Geo. E. Farrand regular State tax	805.00
Geo. E. Farrand 2.00 on each 5.00 poll tax	476.00
	$2,253.32

NO. 22, STREET LIGHTING

Plaistow Electric Light & Power Co., to June 1, 1923	$ 594.00

NO. 23, SCHOOL MONEY

S. W. Lufkin, Treasurer	$4,050.00
S. W. Lufkin, Treasurer dog bal. tax 1922	149.70
	$4,199.70

NO. 24, STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

B. C. Pettengill, labor gravel and explosives	$6,325.76

NO. 25, UNCLASSIFIED

H. B. Tuttle, taxes assumed by town	$ 164.80
H. B. Tuttle, taxes assumed by town	115.48

H. B. Tuttle, taxes assumed by town	95.39
	$375.67

NO. 26, DAMAGE TO PROPERTY

E. H. Poor, damage to chickens by dog	$ 5.00
Mrs. Arthur H. Sawyer, damage to poultry by dog	8.75
	$ 13.75

NO. 27, PUBLIC SERVICE

Mrs. Olive Noyes, public watering trough	$ 3.00

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS BY NUMBERS

Detail No. 1. Town officers' salaries	$ 814.15
Detail No. 2, Town officers expenses	170.80
Detail No. 3, Elections and Registrations	40.13
Detail No. 4, Town Hall expenses	300.00
Detail No. 5, Fire Department	36.50
Detail No. 6, Parks and Playgrounds	10.00
Detail No. 7, Vital Statistics	3.15
Detail No. 8, State Aid Maintenance Highways	1,780.47
Detail No. 9, Town Highways snow pathing	977.70
Detail No. 10, Town highways repairs	2,139.52
Detail No. 11, Bridges	416.54
Detail No. 12, General Expense Highways	899.37
Detail No. 13, Public Library	377.39
Detail No. 14, Town aid to poor	70.85
Detail No. 15, Memorial Day expenses	19.28
Detail No. 16, Board of Health	1.95
Detail No. 17, Soldiers' Memorial (special)	177.00
Detail No. 18, Cemeteries	94.65
Detail No. 19, Special Appropriations	616.01
Detail No. 20, Bonds and Notes	6,625.00
Detail No. 21, Other Governmental Divisions	2,253.32
Detail No. 22, Street Lighting	594.00
Detail No. 23, Schools	4,199.70
Detail No. 24, State aid construction	6,325.76
Detail No. 25, Unclassified	375.67
Detail No. 26, Damage to property	13.75
Detail No. 27, Public Service	3.00
	$29,335.66

GEORGE A. SAWYER,
CHARLES E. KINNEY,
ARTHUR H. SAWYER,
Selectmen.

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1923,	$4,079.01
Received from State:	
Highway Department	1,035.31
Insurance tax	15.00
Railroad tax	29.73
Savings bank tax	95.66
Harry B. Tuttle, Collector, 1922 property tax	1,476.93
Harry B. Tuttle, Collector, 1922 poll tax	36.00
Harry B. Tuttle, Collector, 1923 property tax	15,647.46
Harry B. Tuttle, Collector, 1923 poll tax	1,196.00
Harry B. Tuttle, Collector, interest on taxes	92.12
Delinquent taxes redeemed	77.14
Interest on delinquent taxes redeemed	7.21
Town Clerk, dog licenses	183.60
Town Clerk, Automobile permits 1923	455.03
Town Clerk, Automobile permits 1924	348.29
Haverhill National Bank, interest on deposits	23.28
A. L. Fuller, Est., cemetery lot	2.00
F. A. Morse, rent of town land	10.00
B. C. Pettengill, rent of town land	10.00
A. H. Sawyer, wood from library lot	3.00
Homer O. Nason, pool table license	12.00
J. M. Villeneuve & Co., empty can reutrned	.50
Money borrowed in anticipation of taxes	
Haverhill National Bank, Note No. 11	1,950.00
Haverhill National Bank, Note No. 12	1,974.72
Haverhill National Bank, Note No. 13	1,487.50
Total receipts	30,247.49

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

Paid Selectmen's orders	$29,335.66
Cash on hand January 31st, 1924	911.83

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

ASSETS

Cash in hands of Treasurer	$ 911.83
Delinquent taxes paid by the town	375.67
Due from Collector, 1919	44.48
Due from Collector, 1921 property tax	5.31
Due from Collector, 1922 polls	15.00
Due from Collector, 1922 property tax	4.48
Due from Collector, 1923 polls	126.00
Due from Collector, 1923 property tax	2,146.70
	$3,629.47

LIABILITIES

Care of cemeteries appropriation	7.56
Forest fire equipment appropriation	34.70
Due School district treasurer, 1923 dog licenses	183.60
Balance due School district treasurer	1,683.98
Bond and interest due in 1924	1,075.00
Public Library appropriation	2.28
Memorial Day appropriation	5.72
State Aid maintenance, balance in treasury	231.26
Grading grounds and driveway at entrance to new cemetery appropriation	50.25
	$3,274.35
Balance in favor of the town,	$355.12

BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

Bonds outstanding Feb. 1st, 1923	$3,000.00
April 13th, 1923, paid E. H. Rollins & Sons	1,000.00
Bonds outstanding January 31, 1924	$2,000.00

Bonds and interest are payable as follows:

	Bonds	Interest	Total
April 15th, 1924	$1,000.00	50.00	$1,050.00
Oct. 15th, 1924		25.00	25.00
April 15th, 1925	1,000.00	25.00	1,025.00
	$2,000.00	$100.00	2,100.00

Trust Funds in hands of Selectmen	
Wm. C. Todd poor fund deposited in Haverhill Savings Bank	1,381.16

CHARLES G. MELLINGER,
Town Treasurer

REPORT OF HARRY B. TUTTLE—TAX COLLECTOR

Uncollected on 1921 Warrant		$5.31
Uncollected on 1922 Warrant		
Property taxes	$1,483.20	
Poll taxes	51.00	
		$1,534.20
Collected and paid treasurer	$1,512.93	
Selectmen's abatements	1.79	
Uncollected Jan. 31, 1924	19.48	
		$1,534.20
Interest collected and paid treasurer		60.95
Amount called for in 1923 Warrant:		
Property tax	$17,810.16	
Poll tax	1,350.00	
		19,160.16
Collected and paid treasurer:		
Property taxes	$15,647.46	
Poll taxes	1,196.00	
Selectmen's abatements	44.00	
Uncollected, Jan. 31, 1924:		
Property taxes	$2,146.70	
Poll taxes	126.00	
		$19,160.16
Interest collected and paid treasurer		$31.17

Atkinson, N. H., Feb. 8, 1924.

The auditors have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer and Collector of Taxes and find them correctly cast and well vouched.

C. JULIAN TUTHILL
CHARLES B. WHEELER.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

FUND FOR CARE OF TODD CEMETERY LOTS

Balance on hand at beginning of year	$371.29
Income during year	18.78
	$390.07
Paid B. C. Pettengill for care of lots	6.00
Balance on hand at close of year	$384.07

FUND FOR CARE OF JOHN KNIGHT CEMETERY LOT

Balance on hand at beginning of year	$134.67
Income during year	6.80
	$141.47
Paid B. C. Pettengill for care of lot	3.00
Balance on hand at close of year	$138.47

FUND FOR CARE OF TOLMAN CEMETERY LOT

Balance on hand at beginning of year	$128.31
Income during year	6.47
	$134.78
Paid B. C. Pettengill for care and filling in lot	4.50
Balance on hand at close of year	$130.28

FUND FOR CARE OF LORD CEMETERY LOT

Balance on hand at beginning of year	$119.81
Income during year	6.03
	$125.84
Paid B. C. Pettengill for care and filling in lot	4.50
Balance on hand at close of year	$121.34

JOHN H. SMITH,
CHARLES G. MELLINGER,
CHARLES B. WHEELER,
Trustees of Trust Funds.

Atkinson, N. H., Feb. 11, 1924.

The auditors have examined the accounts of the Trustees of the Trust Funds, they not yet having received from the Selectmen the Wm. C. Todd poor fund, as ordered by the town, and find said accounts correctly cast and well vouched.

C. JULIAN TUTHILL,
CHARLES B. WHEELER,
Auditors.

RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE CEMETERIES IN ATKINSON

The care, protection, use and improvement of the cemeteries shall be under the immediate supervision of the regular appointed sexton, as superintendent; with general oversight on the part of the board of selectmen.

Fences and gates, as provided by law, shall be maintained by the town, and gates closed by the sexton after they have been opened for use.

A plan of each cemetery, with the lots numbered and containing the names of owners as known, shall be kept by the selectmen, and copies of the same kept by the sexton and by the town clerk. The sexton shall upon his copy indicate in each lot the exact location of graves made in the same, using pen and ink, by a cross or initials.

Prices of lots containing approximately one hundred and fifty square feet, to be purchased of the selectmen, shall be four dollars to residents, ten dollars to non-residents, and all deeds of lots shall be recorded by the town clerk. Transfer of ownership shall be valid only when likewise recorded; and when the transfer is from resident to non-resident be valid only after payment to the town of the difference in price. Monies so received from the sale of lots shall be expended on the care of the cemeteries.

No interment shall be made in ground, tomb, or vault and no disinterment or removal without a permit from the town clerk to be delivered to the sexton.

All actual interments, disinterments or removals shall be made by or under the direction of the sexton, and funerals within the cemetery proper shall be under his supervision as to routes taken. All horses shall remain

attended while within, and persons requested to refrain from walking across lots.

The charge made by the sexton for interment or disinterment shall be his time, and the minimum charge shall be four dollars. All excavations are to be to the depth of five feet.

Owners of lots may perform the work of excavation, may care for and improve their own lots, or may arrange to have the same done by the sexton or any person authorized by him.

Shrubs and plants shall not become detrimental to adjacent paths, avenues or lots, and when so shall be removed by the owner or sexton. Stones and markers placed upon or around lots shall be subject to approval for design, inscription and location, together with their being set upon a firm and proper foundation.

Four dollars shall be the minimum price paid the sexton when hired by individuals or for perpetual care for one year's care of a lot of approximately one hundred and fifty square feet, which shall include use of tools and instruments.

Twice annually, once between May 15 and May 29, and once between July 15 and July 30, the grass shall be cut throughout the cemeteries by the sexton, and all rubbish removed. For said work he shall receive from the town the sum of fifty dollars.

Funds for the perpetual care of lots may be received by the town, to be administered by the trustees of the trust funds, the income to be used forever to topdress, cut and care for the grass; any remaining income to be used as deemed by said trustees for the best interest of the lot and adjoining avenues.

As recommended to the town Feb. 27, 1923 by its committee.

C. JULIAN TUTHILL,
EUGENE E. SAWYER,
LUCINDA J. BARNUM,
Committee

1923 Automobile Permits Issued by the Town Clerk, During the Year Ending January 31, 1924

No.		
2037	Alvin M. Whittaker, Ford touring	$2.45
2038	John Harold Colcord, Ford ton truck	3.00
2039	William H. Albree, Chandler touring	6.48
2040	Benjamin W. Lake, Ford touring	2.20
2041	Eugene E. Sawyer, Ford touring	1.80
2042	Milo Gammell, Chevrolet touring	3.68
2043	William Russell Wheeler, Ford touring	2.45
2044	Clarence W. Kinney, Ford touring	1.80
2045	Clyde C. Gardner, Ford runabout	1.95
2046	George E. Huff, Ford touring	1.80
2047	Victor Nealey Bartlett, Ford sedan	8.58
2048	George H. Mason, Ford roadster	2.77
2049	Oscar Perley Little, Ford touring	2.75
2050	Charles B. Wheeler, Dodge Bros. touring	4.43
2051	Jason A. Given, Ford touring	3.00
2052	Lillian G. Robertson, Chevrolet touring	3.68
2053	John Sheehan, Ford touring	1.80
2054	Elmore L. Akeley, Nash touring	20.09
2055	George H. Moody Jr., Ford touring	2.75
2056	Benn R. Heald, Overland touring	3.48
2057	Rose V. Proulx, Nash touring	10.43
2058	Charles E. Kinney, Ford touring	5.85
2059	Milton P. Wood, Ford touring	6.68
2060	Ralph E. Gibson, Ford coupe	5.22
2061	Ray H. Foss, Ford touring	2.75
2062	Arthur D. Bartlett, Ford touring	3.00
2063	James L. Riggs, Ford touring	1.80
2064	Ernest L. Barnum, Ford touring	3.45
2065	David W. Peel, Oldsmobile touring	16.58
2066	George H. Moody Jr., Ford roadster (transfer)	
2067	H. N. Sawyer and Sons, Ford ton truck (transfer)	2.68
2068	Milton A. Pressey, Harley Davidson Motor Cycle	7.90
2069	William A. Rugg, Peerless touring	11.70
2070	Eugene E. Sawyer, Dodge sedan	15.05
2071	Robert L. Taylor, Ford runabout truck	4.13
2072	John Harold Colcord, Ford runabout (transfer)	
2073	Oscar Perley Little, Ford touring (transfer)	3.10
2074	Moses Wheeler, Ford runabout	2.50
2075	Joshua Chase Noyes, Dodge touring	5.43
2076	Gladys E. Conley, Dodge touring	3.93

2077	Howarth Stansfield, Auburn touring (transfer)	34.50
2078	Howard M. Richards, Ford touring (transfer)	4.47
2079	Bernard T. Bartlett, Ford touring	2.63
2080	Arthur J. Boucher, Ford touring	2.75
2081	Thomas A. Young, Ford sedan	3.48
2082	LeRoy B. Mason, Indian Chief Motor Cycle	2.50
2083	Charles E. Moody, Ford touring	9.43
2084	Carlisle B. Mason, Stevens Duryea touring	24.00
2085	Guisiy ppi Lucia, Chevrolet roadster	4.00
2086	H. N. Sawyer and Sons, Ford sedan (transfer)	8.82
2087	Grace E. Cale, Ford touring	9.43
2088	Eben W. Nye, Buick touring	6.33
2089	George A. Page, Studebaker sedan	34.85
2090	Eugene E. Currier, Ford touring	9.43
2091	George H. Moody Jr., Ford coupe	4.55
2092	LeRoy B. Mason, Ford touring	2.20
2093	Leslie C. Clark, Ford touring	9.43
2094	Jason A. Given, Ford sedan (transfer)	14.40
2095	Clyde C. Gardner, Chandler roadster (transfer)	5.03
2096	Orville E. Graffam, Maxwell touring	19.08
2097	Joshua Chase Noyes, Ford sedan (transfer)	3.15
2098	Herbert Wesley Young, Saxon touring	4.33
2099	Eugene E. Sawyer, Ford ton truck	2.75
2100	George E. Huff, Ford touring	9.43
78551	William Gouin, Ford coupe	1.52
78552	Inda L. Wood, Ford coupe	4.20
78553	Joseph D. Phillips, Chevrolet touring (transfer)	3.23
78554	M. J. Phillips, Dodge touring	21.12
78555	LeRoy B. Mason, Ford touring	.60
	69 Permits	$455.03

1924 Automobile Permits Issued by the Town Clerk, During the Year Ending January 31, 1924

No.		
2151	George B. Gardner, Ford touring	2.20
2152	Inda L. Wood, Ford coupe	8.93
2153	Oscar P. Little, Ford touring	3.15
2154	George A. Sawyer, Ford touring	3.57
2155	Robert L. Taylor, Ford runabout truck	4.13
2156	John Harold Colcord, Ford roadster	1.73
2157	Leslie C. Clark, Ford touring	6.68
2158	Stephen W. Lufkin, Dodge touring	5.43
2159	Joshua A. Richards, Ford touring	5.10

2160	C. G. Mellinger, Ford sedan	7.74
2161	Charles Roland Quimby, Buick touring	20.32
2162	Earle S. Quimby, Ford truck	2.38
2163	Eugene E. Currier, Ford touring	6.68
2164	Geo. E. Kinney, Ford roadster	1.73
2165	Charles E. Kinney,Ford touring	3.15
2166	Charles Julian Tuthill, Ford touring	3.57
2167	Rebecca Jacobowitz, Velie touring	13.20
2168	Milo Gammell, Chevrolet touring	3.68
2169	Philip Varney Tarr, Ford runabout	1.73
2170	Eugene E. Sawyer, Dodge sedan	10.75
2171	Eugene E. Sawyer, Ford ton truck	2.75
2172	Lillian G. Robertson, Chevrolet touring	3.68
2173	W. Stanley Platts, Ford runabout truck	2.45
2174	Orville E. Graffam, Maxwell touring	13.52
2175	H. N. Sawyer & Sons, Ford roadster truck	2.94
2176	H. N. Sawyer & Sons, Ford sedan	12.33
2177	H. N. Sawyer & Sons, Ford ton truck	6.46
2178	Harry B. Tuttle, Ford truck	2.73
2179	Chas. F. Tewksbury, Ford runabout truck	1.95
2180	Elgin Earle Reynolds, Chevrolet sedan	6.13
2181	Adin E. Poor, Ford touring	5.11
2182	Everett H. Poor, Reo truck	6.25
2183	Everett H. Poor, Ford touring	3.15
2184	Elmer E. Conley, Ford ton truck	3.47
2185	Alvin M. Whittaker, Ford touring	2.45
2186	Florence K. Peel, Oldsmobile touring	12.68
2187	Homer O Nason, Dort touring	5.43
2188	Grace E. Cale, Ford touring	6.68
2189	John H. Smith, Buick touring	7.98
2190	M. J. Phillips, Dodge touring	14.96
2191	Raymond A. Evans, Ford touring	2.20
2192	Eben W. Nye, Ford ton truck	3.47
2193	Eben W. Nye, Buick touring	6.33
2194	Eben W. Nye, Ford runabout	2.94
2195	Charles E. Moody, Ford touring	6.68
2196	Alvin M. Whittaker, Ford coupe (transfer)	4.44
2197	Milton P. Wood, Ford touring	3.15
2198	Jason A. Given, Ford sedan	12.33
2199	James L. Riggs, Ford touring	1.80
2200	Harlon C. Dyke, Ford touring	5.11
2201	Maude E. Lucy, Ford touring	3.00
2202	Frank A. Morse, Buick touring	6.33
2203	Clyde C. Gardner, Chandler roadster	7.97
2204	Harold E. Poor, Ford runabout	1.73
2205	Arthur D. Bartlett, Ford touring	3.00
2206	John Harold Colcord, Ford touring (transfer)	.90

2207	Thomas A. Young, Ford sedan	3.48
2208	Andrew Toshach, Ford ton truck	2.75
2209	Mrs. Bertha Maude Lake, Chevrolet touring	3.68
2210	Howarth Stansfield, Auburn touring	28.05
	60 Permits	$348.29

REPORT OF KIMBALL PUBLIC LIBRARY

The work at the Library has been much the same as in former years. During the year the building has been painted, making it look more attractive.

Number of books given out during the year 2,005; largest number in one day 73.

Donors of books have been Dr. and Mrs. Rufus K. Noyes.

Received from fines	$ 3.69
Cash on hand at beginning of the year	1.84
	$ 5.53
Paid for supplies	$ 5.53

MARY A. LUFKIN, Librarian

BOOKS ADDED TO THE LIBRARY, 1923

A

A Man from Maine
Alexander Gifford or Vi'Let's Boy
A Book of Golden Deeds

B

Bunny Brown and Sister Sue at Camp Rest-A-While
Bunny Brown and Sister Sue at Aunt Lu's City Home
Big Blue Soldier

C

Cape Cod New and Old — Cathedral
Custard Cup

F

Fascinating Stranger — Fourteen Ninety Two

H

His Children's Children — He Knew Lincoln
Heart of Cherry McBain

L

Leo Dayne

M

Merton of the Movies — Men, Places and Things

N

Nancy Goes to Town — New Hampshire in History

O

One of Ours — Outline of History

P

Paths of the Prudent
Public Square
Phantom Lover
Precious Thoughts

R

Road to Paris
Right Living
Raspberry Jam
Rupert of Hentzan

S

Silver Sixpence
Stella Dallas
Second Honeymoon
Story of Perugia
Square Dollar Boys
Story of Seville
Story of Nuremberg

T

Toasts and Forms of Public Addresses
Toledo
Tumbleweeds
Truxton King
They Live and are not Far Away

V

Vision of Desire

W

Wanderer of the Wasteland
Woman Thou Gavest Me
Wonder Book
Wilmer Atkinson, an Autobiography
To the School Board of Atkinson:

Annual Report

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School Board

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Town of Atkinson

For the Year Ending June 30

1923

SOURCES OF REVENUE FOR SCHOOLS JULY 1, 1922 TO JUNE 30, 1923

Balance on hand July 1, 1922	$ 151.17
From taxation, Equalized valuation	2,320.00
From taxation, music teacher's salary	217.00
From taxation, transportation of pupils	360.00
From taxation, treasurer's bond	3.00
From taxation, contingency fund	400.00
From taxation, administration	50.00
From taxation, supt. excess salary	100.00
From taxation, Academy tuition	2,170.00
From taxation, salaries of District officers	135.00
From taxation, repairs on School houses	150.00
From taxation, balance due on N. End school	31.55
From taxation, per capita tax	210.00
Dog tax	147.00
Interest on deposit in bank	2.51
State aid	1,583.73
	$8,030.96

EXPENSES FOR SCHOOL YEAR JULY 1, 1922 TO JUNE 30, 1923

Oct. 1. Salaries of District offiicers	$ 120.00
Oct. 2, Supt. salary	172.00
Oct. 3, Truant officer and school census	12.18
Oct. 4, Expenses of administration	78.12
Oct. 5, Teacher's salaries	3,633.12
Oct. 6, Text books	270.24
Oct. 7, Scholar's supplies	157.07
Oct. 8, Flags and appurtenances	.55
Oct. 9, Other expenses of instruction	2.18
Oct. 10, Janitor service	233.45
Oct. 11, Fuel	191.59
Oct. 12, Water, light and Janitor supplies	2.12
Oct. 13, Minor repairs and expenses	140.86
Oct. 14, Medical inspection	5.00
Oct. 15, Transportation of pupils	395.00
Oct. 16, Academy tuition	1,615.00
Oct. 19, Insurance	115.00
Oct. 21, Lands and new buildings	31.55

Oct. 26, Per capita tax	210.00
Total expenses	$7,385.03
Cash on hand	645.93
	$8,030.96

DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENSES BY NUMBERS

1 SALARIES OF DISTRICT OFFICERS

S. W. Lufkin	$ 20.00
Grace H. Mellinger	25.00
A. L. Barry	25.00
H. N. Sawyer	50.00
	$120.00

2 SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY

W. C. Libbey, treasurer of union	$172.00

3 TRUANT OFFICERS & SCHOOL CENSUS

R. E. Lane, census cards	$ 2.18
Grace H. Mellinger, taking census	10.00
	$12.18

4 EXPENSES OF ADMINISTRATION

Hildreth & Rogers, stationery and printing	$15.75
Ethel Whittemore, accompanist	6.00
A. P. Schmidt Co., music	1.00
A. L. Barry, clocks	10.50
S. W. Lufkin, envelopes	2.20
Curtis Standard Tests, standard tests	3.22
E. C. Eastman, stationery and printing,	4.60
H. G. Blount, telephone and postage	3.25
J. M. Goodrich, treasurer's bond	3.00
Bartlett Garage, auto hire for superintendent	5.00
Edna E. Carlton, graduation supplies	1.25
Mildred Hanson, graduation supplies	4.60
Record Publishing Co., program	6.50
Martin Diploma Co., diplomas	11.25
	$78.12

5 TEACHER'S SALARIES

Mary E. Marble	$ 900.00
Marion Butterfield	756.00
Edna E. Carlton	875.00

Edith Barry	559.02
Eleanor Goldsmith	170.10
Mildred Hanson	156.00
Eva Williams (music)	217.00
	$3,633.12

6 TEXT BOOKS

World Book Company, books	$ 1.75
D. C. Heath Company, books	45.52
American Book Company, books	160.52
Teacher's College, books	1.93
The Macmillan Company, books	.90
Silver Burdett & Company, books	1.68
Benj. H. Sanborn & Company, books	32.02
Ginn & Company, books	13.21
D. H. Knowlton & Company, books	.96
Oliver Ditson & Company, books	10.35
J. L. Hammett Company, books	1.40
	$270.24

7 SCHOLARS' SUPPLIES

World Book Company, tests and merchandise	$ 7.79
J. L. Hammett & Co., labels, pencils etc.	15.80
University Publishing Co., plan books	2.16
Edward E. Babb & Co., miscellaneous supplies	111.59
Russell Sage Foundation, spelling scales etc.	2.40
S. W. Lufkin, pencils	.44
D. H. Heath & Co., Mdse	1.13
Oliver Ditson & Co., sheet music	9.66
Milton Bradley Co., kindergarten materials	6.10
	$157.07

8 FLAGS AND APPURTENANCES

Leroy D. Barnum, snap for flag	$ .10
Grace H. Mellinger, flag rope	.45
	$ .55

9 OTHER EXPENSES OF INSTRUCTION

The Public School Publishing Co., tests etc.	$2.18

10 JANITOR SERVICE

S. W. Lufkin	$ 90.00
Leroy Barnum	46.25
Emile L'heureux	45.00
Walter Nye	25.00
Elsie Ray	11.25

Marion Butterfield	8.75
Hattie Chute	3.60
Mrs. Henry Leavitt	3.60
	$233.45

11 FUEL

Geo. A. Page, wood	96.00
John H. Smith, wood	24.00
Charles R. Smith, wood	24.00
Mrs. L. E. Marble, kerosene oil	2.09
L. E. Marble, sawing and hauling wood	30.25
E. E. Sawyer, hauling wood	2.00
W. L. Chute, sawing wood	6.75
F. E. Steele, sawing wood	1.00
Joshua Richards, putting in wood	1.00
Gerald Morse, putting in wood	1.00
Walter Weeks, putting in wood	1.00
Leroy Barnum, putting in wood	2.50
	$191.59

12 WATER, LIGHT AND JANITOR SUPPLIES

Grace H. Mellinger, broom and pail	$ .80
E. L. Barnum, setting glass, etc.	1.10
S. W. Lufkin, glass and putty	.22
	$ 2.12

13 MINOR REPAIRS AND EXPENSES

J. H. Colcord, painting, repairs and material	$ 77.46
G. H. Mason, repairing foundation, Depot school	13.00
Atherton-Peoples Furn. Co., shades Depot school	7.25
Moxey & Johnson, paint, etc.	35.05
H. N. Sawyer, moving piano	4.00
E. L. Barnum, repairing pump and locks	1.00
S. W. Lufkin, materials for repairing	3.10
	$140.86

14 MEDICAL INSPECTION

J. B. Soule	$5.00

15 TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS

C. P. Stowell	$395.00

16 ACADEMY TUITION

Atkinson Academy	$1,615.00

19	**INSURANCE**	
J. M. Goodrich, (agent)		$115.00
21	**LANDS AND NEW BUILDINGS**	
E. L. Barnum, bal. due on N. E. School		$31.55
26	**PER CAPITA TAX**	
State Treasurer		$210.00

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT N. SAWYER,
GRACE H. MELLINGER,
JOHN H. COLCORD,
School Board.

ESTIMATED BUDGET FOR 1924-1925

REVENUE

State Aid	$1,580.00
Dog tax	140.00
	$1,720.00
Balance by taxation	
$5.00 on $1,000 equalized valuation	$2,334.98
District officers	135.00
Music teacher	217.00
Superintendent's salary	216.00
Treasurer's bond	3.00
Painting and repairs	200.00
Administration	75.00
Contingency fund	400.00
Transportation	540.00
Academy tuition	2,170.00
Per capita tax	210.00
	$6,500.98

As we have more scholars than can be accommodated at the Center school some provision should be made for the coming year. Either a school should be provided on the east road or some division made at the Center School.

GRACE H. MELLINGER,
HERBERT N. SAWYER,
JOHN H. COLCORD,
School Board.

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer charges himself with:

Cash on hand July 1st, 1922	$ 151.17
School money from town treasurer	6,146.55
Check from State Treasurer	1,583.73
Interest from bank	2.51
Dog tax	147.00
Refund	4.66
	$8,035.62
Orders of school board paid	7,389.69
Balance in bank July 1st, 1923	$645.93

S. W. LUFKIN, Treasurer.

Atkinson, N. H., July 14, 1923.

We have examined the accounts of the School District Officers for the year ending June 30th, 1923 and find them correct with proper vouchers for payments.

CHARLES G. MELLINGER,
JOHN H. SMITH,
School District Auditors.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

To the School Board of Atkinson:

Gentlemen:

I present herewith the annual school report for the year 1922-1923 together with the reports of the supervisor of music and the medical examiner.

A SURVEY

By means of standardized tests an educational survey was made during the fall of 1922 with the active cooperation of teachers.

Since reading appeared to be rather weak, special programs were laid down calling for intensive silent reading drills and somewhat extensive reading as well. During the fall of 1923, eleven months after the first test was given tests were repeated to determine the gain which had been made during the preceeding year and also to act as a basis upon which to determine the gain made during the present year. The result is given below.

READING

			1922 Monroe Test	1923 Stanford Test		
School	Grade	Score	Grade Attained in Test	Score	Grade Attained	Gain
North	IV	4	III (high)	136	VI (low)	2½ yrs.
	V	9	V	182	IX	4 yrs.
	VIII	12	VII	Passed on to High School		

In this school a splendid chance has been afforded to study the progress of individual pupils since each of the first two grades named above consisted of one pupil. In reading these results, only grade attained need be emphasized. The boy in Grade IV attained a standing equal to that of a pupil who would be placed in a high third grade in 1922. In 1923, eleven months later, when he had passed into grade V he had attained a standing in reading equal to that of a child who would be placed in a low sixth grade. Thus a gain equal to the normal gain in two and a half years was made in seven months under intensive teaching. It may be noted that four months of vacation had intervened in the meantime. Similarly the

5th grade boy jumped from a fifth grade standing in reading to a ninth grade standing in the same time. These tests are subject to experimental error but making due allowance for this the results are exceedingly gratifying. Similar results were obtained in other schools but larger numbers prevented the following out of as careful a program. In every school and in every grade gains which were substantially above the average were made. Now follows a statement of the standing of the various schools in the fall of 1923 according to the Stanford Achievement Test.

STANFORD ACHIEVEMENT TEST

School	Grade	Read.	Arith.	Science	Hist. & Lit.	Lang.	Spelling	Average
North	V	136(126)	144(126)	128(122)	126(114)	118(124)	121(127)	135(125)
	VI							182(137)
Sawyer	V	129(126)	152(126)	142(122)	125(114)	140(124)	129(127)	136(125)
	VII	166(154)	168(154)	143(151)	143(148)	154(151)	167(152)	158(151)
Saw'r	VIII	211(166)	176(167)	212(166)	199(163)	201(163)	216(162)	198(166)
Center	IV	129(107)	127(109)					124(108)
	VI	136(137)	142(140)					134(138)
	VII	165(154)	149(151)					151(151)
	VIII	163(166)	189(166)					171(167)
Depot	V	133(126)	132(126)	130(122)	126(114)	132(124)	132(127)	131(125)
	VII	155(154)	159(154)	148(154)	148(151)	169(151)	152(152)	153(151)
	VIII	160(166)	170(166)	150(166)	146(163)	183(163)	148(162)	157(165)

Read the above table as follows e. g. Sawyer school eighth grade obtained an average in reading equal to that of a normal child 211 months old. The standard which the grade should attain in reading is that of a normal child 166 months. Thus the grade surpassed the standard in reading by 45 months or nearly four years. (Read others in the same way). The test was worked out and the standard fixed on the basis of results secured in California cities.

STATISTICS

Different pupils registered in district	78
Per cent of attendance	90.2
Number pupils not absent or tardy for the year	5
Half days of school	337
Half days school closed	23
Visits by school board members	13
Visits by superintendent	73
Visits by citizens	76

The amount of time which the schools were in session last year may be increased substantially by the elimination of certain holidays. It is possible to have the spirit of these holidays well carried out in school exercises and

thus the pupils gain a better conception of theirmeaning by keeping school than by closing. Furthermore, general school progress will be materially helped by such a program. It costs nearly $40.00 a day to run the schools of Atkinson and, I believe that it is necessary to take this step to get full return for the money spent.

REPORT OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

STATISTICS

Diseases and Defects

School	Malnutrition	Defective	Vision	Def. Hearing	Def. Teeth	Tonsils Adenoids
Depot	3	6	2	11	7	6
Center	10	4	7	15	11	10
Sawyer	7	3	1	6	5	5
North End	0	1	0	2	0	0
Total	20	14	10	34	23	21
Number examined 53						
Per cent of cases having disease or defect	38	24	38	64	42	40

Parents are urged to have the disabilities which have been reported to them corrected. Often school progress is seriously hindered by some physical handicap. Defective teeth are often the cause of faulty digestion and this the cause of malnutrition. Defective hearing or sight are common difficulties as this report shows. The correction of these cases will add materially to the children's welfare both physical and mental.

In closing I wish to extend to the School Board of Atkinson my hearty thanks for their co-operation in all plans which I have tried to work out.

The hearty co-operation of teachers has been a source of gratification. It is the professional skill and hard work of teachers which is responsible in a large measure for the progress of our school systems.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY G. BLOUNT,
Superintendent of Salem Union.

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

To the Superintendent and School Board of Atkinson, N. H.:

I herewith present my sixth annual report as supervisor of music in the Atkinson Schools.

The Supervisor of Music visits the schools once a week to give lessons and plan the work in general. The grade teachers carry on the work and if they show sympathetic interest the children are encouraged to make their best efforts. A large percentage of the success of the work in music is due to the constant helpfulness of the teachers. Most of the children do creditable work in music.

First Studies in Sight Singing a book for primary grades by Hollis Dann is being used in the lower grades, while in the upper grades the songs in the Congdon Music Reader prove a source of delight to all who study them.

The work is being carried on in the usual way. Each year, as we hope, this course of study worked out in connection with the text books and other devices brings us, as a group of schools, nearer to the aims which we have in mind in this work. These aims are:

First, to have the pupils study vocal music as a language, understanding how to read and sing it accurately;

Second, to develop as completely as possible the natural ability of each child to sing tunefully and to help those who lack this ability, to acquire it;

Third, to educate the pupils' taste in music so that the appeal and the cultural value of all good music shall be real and effective in their lives.

For the co-operation afforded me in my work I extend my thanks to the Superintendent, School Board and Teachers.

EVA WILLIAMS THOMPSON

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

Registered in Atkinson for the year ending December 31, 1923.

Jan. 28, 1923—Esther May Nye; father, Eben W. Nye; mother, Gertrude F. Dunn; residence, Atkinson, N. H.

Mar. 21, 1923—Walter Grant Taylor; father, Robert Taylor; mother, Lila S. Morse; residence, Atkinson, N. H.

April 2, 1923—Barbra Vera Whittaker; father, Alvin M. Whittaker; mother, Vera Partridge; residence, Atkinson, N. H.

April 11, 1923— Warren Deney Phillips; father, Joseph D. Phillips; mother, Nettie B. Hunt; residence, Atkinson, N. H.

April 18, 1923—Doris Althea Wilson; father, Charles Wilson; mother, Edna M. Young; residence, Atkinson, N. H.

Oct. 18,1923—Phillip Varney Tarr; father, Phillip Tarr; mother, Dorothy Critchett; residence, Atkinson, N. H.

DEATHS

Registered in Atkinson for the year ending December 31, 1923.

Feb. 27, 1923—Atkinson, N. H.; Abraham Lincoln Fuller, age 59 years, 7 months, 1 day; parents, Cyrus Fuller, Lucretia P. Tenney.

May 25, 1923—Atkinson, N. H.: Affie Chase Bragdon, age 71 years, 3 months, 8 days; parents, Ziniri Bragdon, Clarissa A. Chase.

July 3, 1923—Atkinson, N. H.: Annie A. Chute, age, 74 years, 11 months, 18 days; father Ferris.

Oct. 19,1923—Atkinson, N. H.: Susan A. Goodrich, age, 67 years, 20 days, parents, Johnathan H. Johnson, Nancy Mudgett.

MARRIAGES

Registered in Atkinson for the year ending December 31, 1923.

May 8, 1923—Harold Goodwin Worth of New Rochelle, N. Y., and Delight Tuthill of New Rochelle, N. Y.; parents, Henry Worth, Grace Goodwin, Charles Julian Tuthill, Mary I. Stevenson; married by C. Julian Tuthill,

minister of the Cong'l Church, Atkinson, N. H.

May 19, 1923—Benjamin O. Wood of Atkinson, N. H. and Inda L. Hastings of Hampstead, N. H.; parents, Albert P. Wood, Emma D. Gale, George Hastings, Jennie Tibbets; married by Roger F. Etz, clergyman in Medford Hillside, Mass.

June 4, 1923—Albert E. Townsend of Salem, N. H. and Blanche M. Cole of Atkinson, N. H.; parents, George E. Townsend, Nettie A. Blodgett, Albert P. Cole, Mabel F. Damon; married by C. Julian Tuthill, minister of the Cong'l Church, Atkinson, N. H.

June 16, 1923—Wilfred Jack Hartley of Auburn, Me., and Lena Ruth Hartford of Auburn, Me.; parents, Isaac Hartley, Mabel King, Osborne Allen Hartford, Mabel Estelle Gray; married by C. Julian Tuthill, minister of the Cong'l Church, Atkinson, N. H.

June 28, 1923—Howard Bottomley of Haverhill, Mass. and Helen D. Gardner of Atkinson, N. H.; parents, Ernest Bottomley, Mary Twombly, George Burton Gardner, Edna Lee Cunningham; married by C. Julian Tuthill, minister of the Cong'l Church in Atkinson, N. H.

June 30, 1923—Lewis Taylor of Lynn, Mass. and Margaret S. Armstrong of Lynn, Mass.; parents Leverett Taylor, Annie E. D. Peel, James W. Armstrong, Elma Shockford; married by C. Julian Tuthill, minister of the Cong'l Church, Atkinson, N. H.

Aug. 1, 1923—J. Frank Lunnin of Portsmouth, N. H. and Polly E. Barnum of Atkinson, N. H.; parents, William T. Lunnin, Erie S. Welch, Walter A. Barnum, Lucinda J. Noyes; married by Edgar Warren, Clergyman in Hampton, N. H.

Aug. 11, 1923—Herbert Clinton Thompson of Haverhill, Mass. and Sadie Belle Hooper of Haverhill, Mass.; parents, William O. Thompson, Agnes J. Kinney, William H. Hooper, Jane E. Fawks; married by C. Julian Tuthill, minister of the Cong'l Church, Atkinson, N. H.

Sept. 27, 1923—Harry B. Glancy of Plaistow, N. H. and Mabel Pickard of Haverhill, Mass.; parents, William Glancy, Emma Namie, Ludger Pickard, Delia Bruillet; married by C. Julian Tuthill, minister of the Cong'l Church, Atkinson, N. H.

Oct. 11, 1923—Arthur W. Mears of Haverhill, Mass. and Eleanor M. Stickney of Haverhill, Mass.; parents, Arthur L. Mears, Carrie Emerson, Charles E. Stickney, Adaline W. Smith; married by C. Julian Tuthill, minister of the Cong'l Church, Atkinson, N. H.

Dec. 2, 1923—Albert C. Carlstrom of Lawrence, Mass. and Eva B. Lambert of Haverhill, Mass.; parents, Charles Carlstrom, Mary Collins, Arthur Lambert, Annie Simes; married by C. Julian Tuthill, minister of the Cong'l Church, Atkinson, N. H.

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